REMARKS

Claims 18-34 remain pending after amendment.

Claim Amendments

Claim 18 is amended to more clearly define the claimed invention. No new matter is added by these amendments.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicant acknowledges with thanks the indication of allowable subject matter of claims 18-34.

Rejection under 35 USC 112 (paragraph one)

Claims 18-34 stand rejected under 35 USC 112 (paragraph one) as failing to comply with the written description requirement. This rejection is respectfully traversed to the extent deemed to apply to the claims as amended.

In response, the phrase "being of an area sufficient to hinder" is replaced by the word "hindering". It is believed that the revised claim language is clearly described in the specification.

The rejection is thus believed moot and should be withdrawn.

In view of the above, the application is believed to be in condition for allowance, and an early indication of same is earnestly solicited.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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